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ACT II.—Pearl Dodo's Flat. 12 o'clock the same day. Severed Lives.

ACT III.—Aunt Hetty's House, Larchmont on the Sound. 5 o'clock p. m. same day. Misunderstandings understood.

Produced under the personal direction of the Author.

Songs and music specially arranged by Isadore Witmark, of M. Witmark & Son, 49-51 West 28th Street, New York.

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Arthur F. Warde, Charles H. Beede, ... Proprietors and Managers
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